

REMARKS

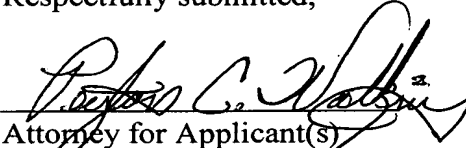
The Office Action dated February 28, 2005 has been received and reviewed by the applicant. Claims 1-31 are in the application. Claims 1-31 stand rejected. Claims 1, 11 and 22 are amended. Claim 23 is canceled. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-31 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Smith, II (US 5,768,163). The entirety of the rejection is not repeated herein for brevity. In response, claims 1, 11 and 22 are amended to include, stated in various manners, "a plurality of differently shaped removable and replaceable inserts each having a docking mating portion on first side which mates with the insert-receiving portion, and each insert having a uniquely shaped camera mating portion on a second side and each second side having a shape substantially of a portion of a different corresponding digital camera to which the removable and replaceable insert mates." In contrast, Smith discloses a single type of media clip pad 32. It is taught and inherent, in Smith, that the clip pad 32 includes only a single type of connection for connection to a camera. Likewise, there is only one type of camera taught and inherent in Smith for connection to the media clip pad 32. The claimed invention includes the advantage of "permit[ting] the docking station to be flexible and cost-efficient in that it can receive a plurality of digital cameras" (see page 3, lines 15 - 17) This obviously permits larger, professional-grade cameras and smaller, pocket-sized cameras to be connected to the same housing which is obviously a huge commercial advantage.

Should the Examiner consider that additional amendments are necessary to place the application in condition for allowance, the favor is requested of a telephone call to the undersigned counsel for the purpose of discussing such amendments.

For the reasons set forth above, it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration and favorable action are respectfully solicited.

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